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*Cryptangium* C. M., 1843, should fall on account of a homonym of Schrader's, used in the Cyperaceae, in 1842. *Cryptocarpus* C. M. is replaced by Austin's name for a genus of Hepatics. *Decodon* (C. M.) Broth. is antedated by a synonym, *Rhachithecium* Broth. and by a homonym of Gmelin, used for a genus of Lythraceae in 1791. *Lasia* P. B., 1805, is antedated by *Lasia* Lour., 1790, in the Aroideae, and should be replaced by *Forstromia*, Lindb., 1862. including *F. Ohioensis* (Sull.) Lindb. (*Leptodon trichomitrium* Mohr.) *Mniopsis* Mitt., 1860, is attended by two homonyms: one of Dumortier, in the Hepaticae; the other of Martius in the Podostemaceae.

Three genera of Phanerogams are displaced by homonyms in mosses. They are *Hedwigia* Swartz, 1788, Burseraceae, by *Hedwigia* Ehrh., 1781. *Sporledera* Bernh., 1842, Pedaliaceae, by *Sporledera*, Hampe, 1827. *Swartzia* Schreb., 1791, Leguminosae, by *Swartzia* Ehrh., 1787. A table of homonyms in Bryophyta and Spermatophyta is given, and a long list of works he has consulted. There is also a complete index. In many cases the original citations are quoted, which renders this criticism of particular value to those who cannot verify the original descriptions.

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### Proceedings of the Club.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 26, 1896.

Vice-President Allen in the chair and 29 persons present.

Mr. C. D. Lippencott and Miss Amy Schüssler were elected active members.

The announced paper of the evening by Prof. Byron D. Halsted, "Economic Field Botany," was illustrated by numerous interesting lantern-slides.

A communication was read from Mr. Chas. H. Winston, of Richmond College, submitting a specimen of *Ligusticum Canadense*.

Dr. Britton made some remarks upon the separation of the Liliaceae, as usually understood, into four distinct families.